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# Colorado National Guard

## National Commission on the Future of the Army Review of Domestic Operations in Colorado



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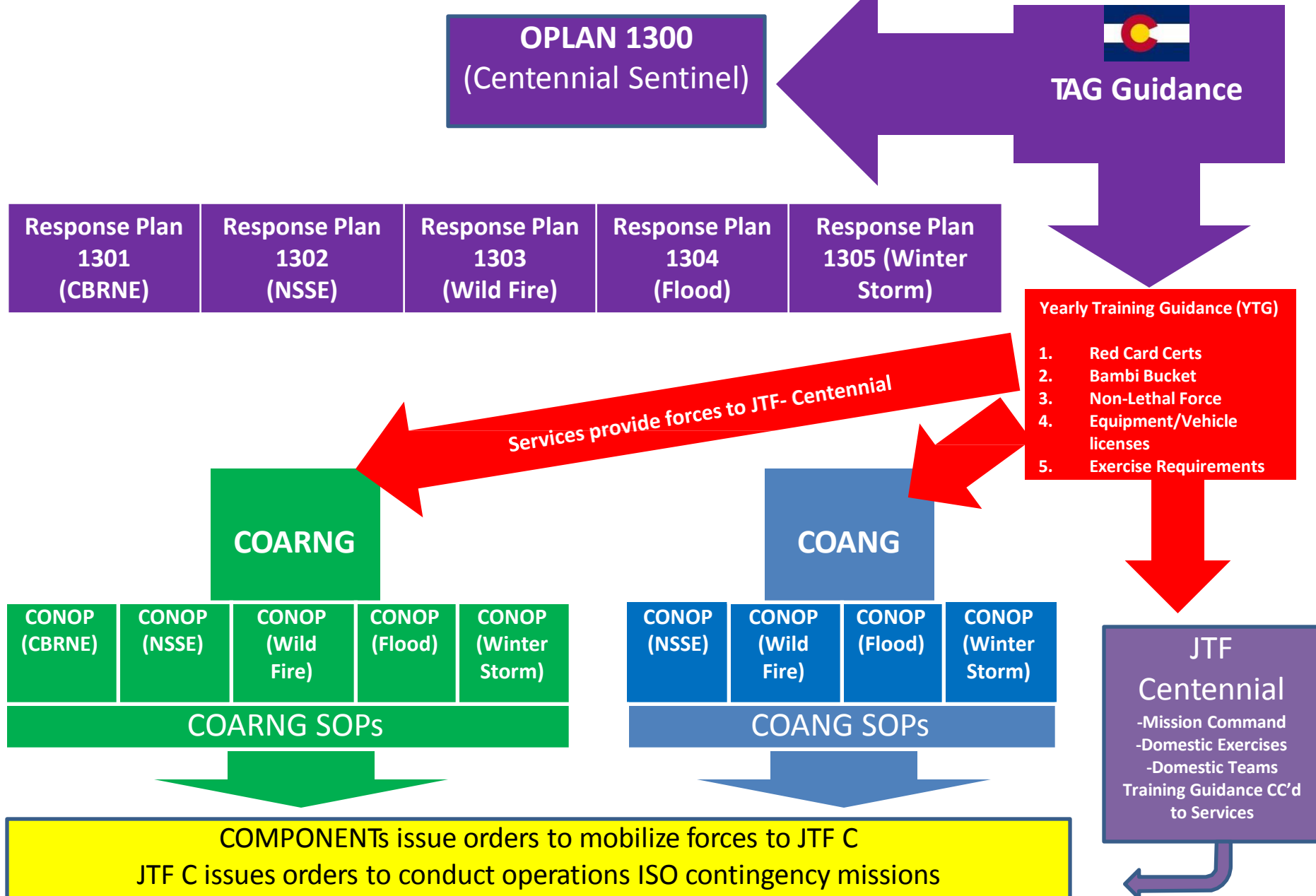


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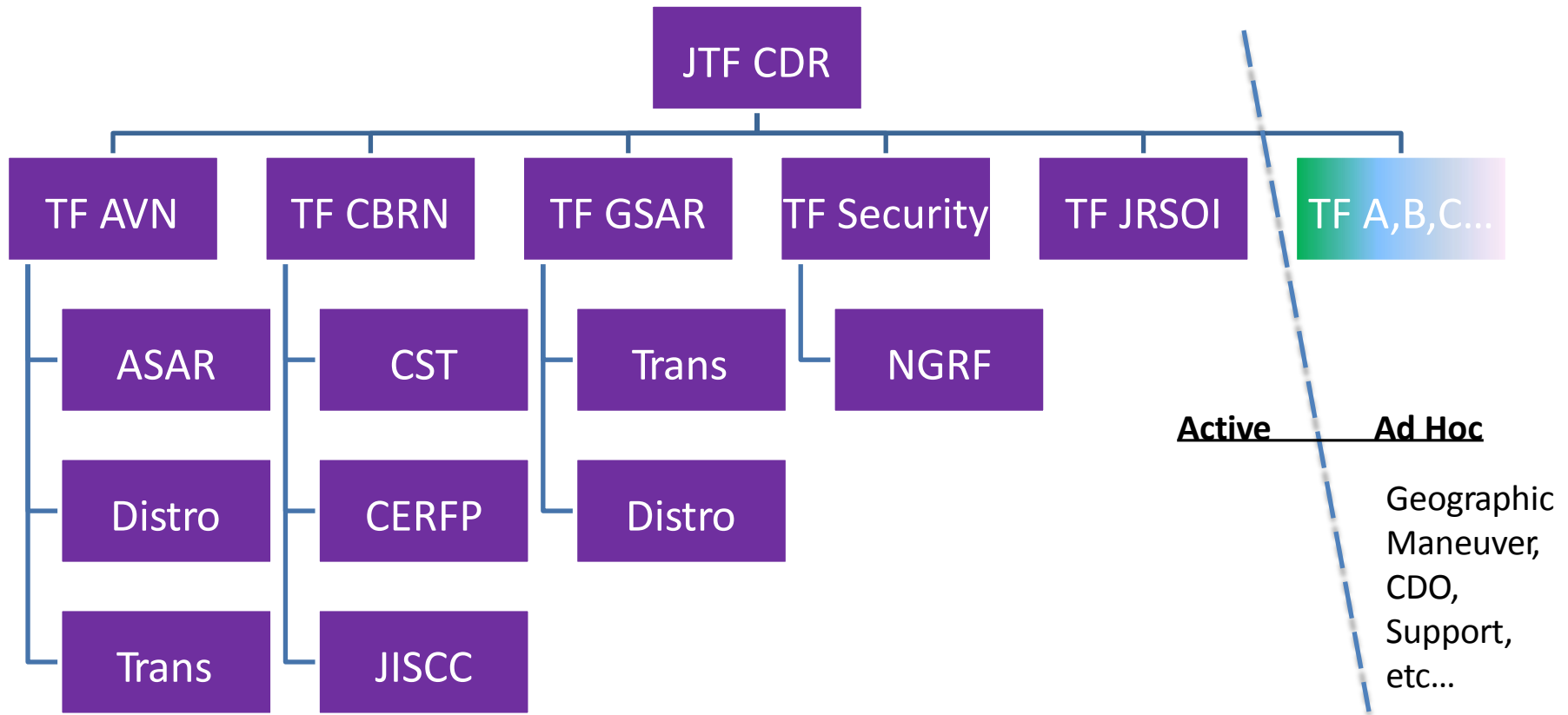
# Agenda

- CONG Plan/Policy Infrastructure
- CONG 2013 Domestic Operations
  - Black Forest Fire
  - Centennial Raging Waters 2013
- Lessons Learned
- Discussion

# Plan/Policy Infrastructure to Support Readiness



# JTF Centennial



# CONG Domestic Operations 2013

**FERN LAKE FIRE**

- 1 x UH-60 (MEDEVAC) with hoist

## BIG MEADOWS FIRE

- 1 x UH-60 (MEDEVAC) with hoist

**LIME GULCH FIRE**

- 1 x UH-60 (MEDEVAC) with hoist

## BLACK FOREST FIRE

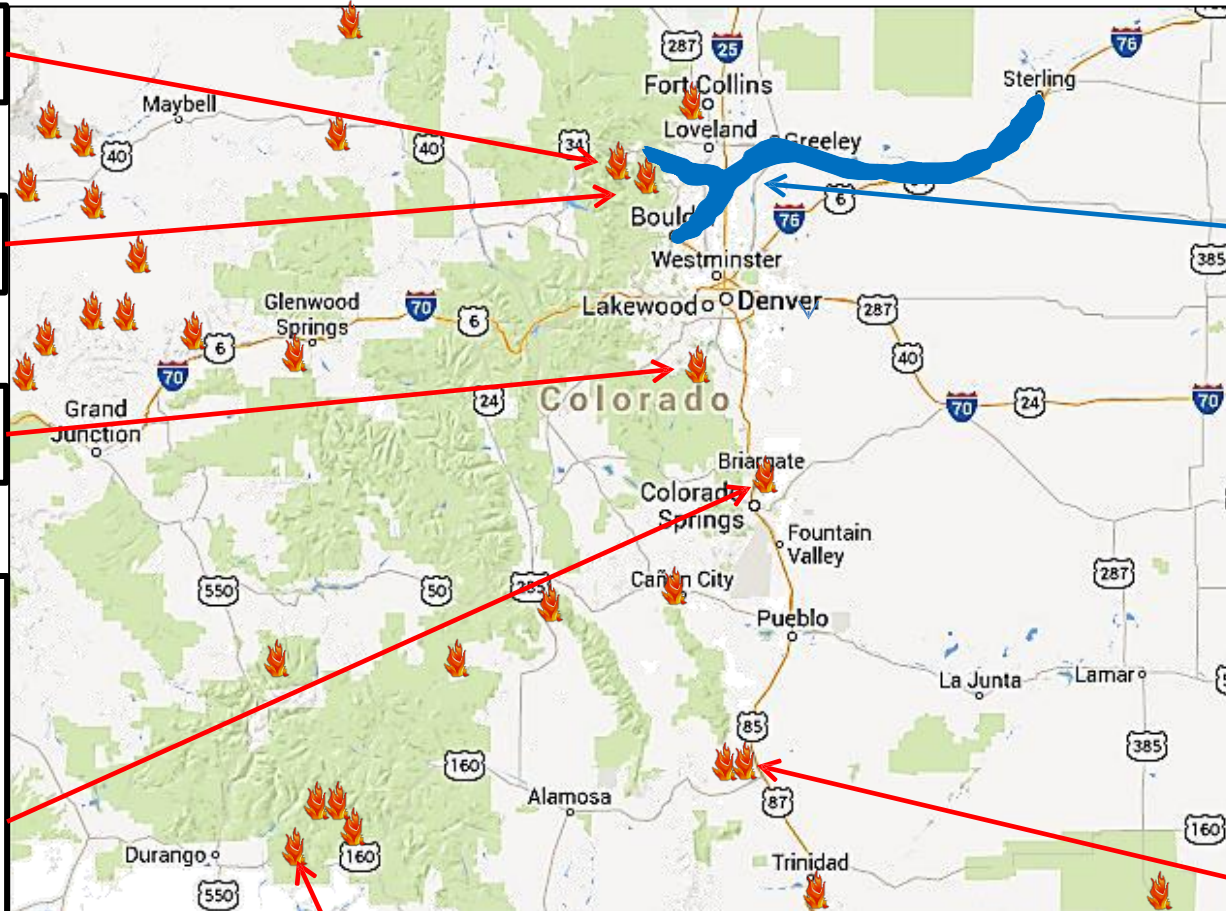
- 3 x UH-60 with Bambi Bucket
- 1 x UH-72 for incident assessment
- 2 x UH-60 with Bambi Bucket (**WYNG and NENG EMAC**)
- 4 x UH-60/CH-47 (T10)
- 120 x Soldiers with 36 x vehicles and equipment for traffic control points
- **1157th Engineer Firefighters with 2 x FF trucks, 2 x water tenders**
- 1 x **WYNG CST UCS**
- 1 x **JISCC (COANG)**
- PAO
- LNO

## WEST FORK COMPLEX FIRE

- 1 x UH-60 (MEDEVAC) with hoist (**AASF/SDNG EMAC**)
- 73 x Soldiers with 47 x vehicles and equipment for traffic control points
- **1157th Engineer Firefighters**
- 1 x GIS Package (**117<sup>th</sup> Space BN**)
- 1 x JISCC (**COANG**)
- LNO

**TOTAL # MAN DAYS:3788**

**TOTAL # AIRCRAFT: 39**

**TOTAL # VEHICLES: 349**

## FLOODS

- Live Hoists: 83
- Total Hours Flown: 434
- 21 x Aircraft, LUH-72, UH-60, and CH-47 (9 x COARNG, 5 x WYARNG, 7 x T10)
- 23 x Mobility Teams (6 PAX, 3 LMTVs per team)
- 15 x Soldiers, Search and Extraction Team
- Transported >20,000 FEMA meals, delivered >5,000 meals
- 292 PAX with vehicles and equipment for armed and unarmed traffic control points

## SAPPER FURY

- 409 total personnel
- EMAC UT/MT/KS
- 18 sites/ 12,672 man hours

EAST PEAK FIRE

- 1 x UH-60 with Bambi Bucket
- 1 x UH-60 (MEDEVAC) with hoist **(AASF)**
- 1 x CH-47 with Bambi Bucket **(AASF)**
- 85 x Soldiers with 31 x vehicles and equipment for traffic control points
- 1 x JISCC **(COANG)**
- 15 x Soldiers, Red Card Certified Hand Crew **(1/157th IN)**
- PAO
- LNO

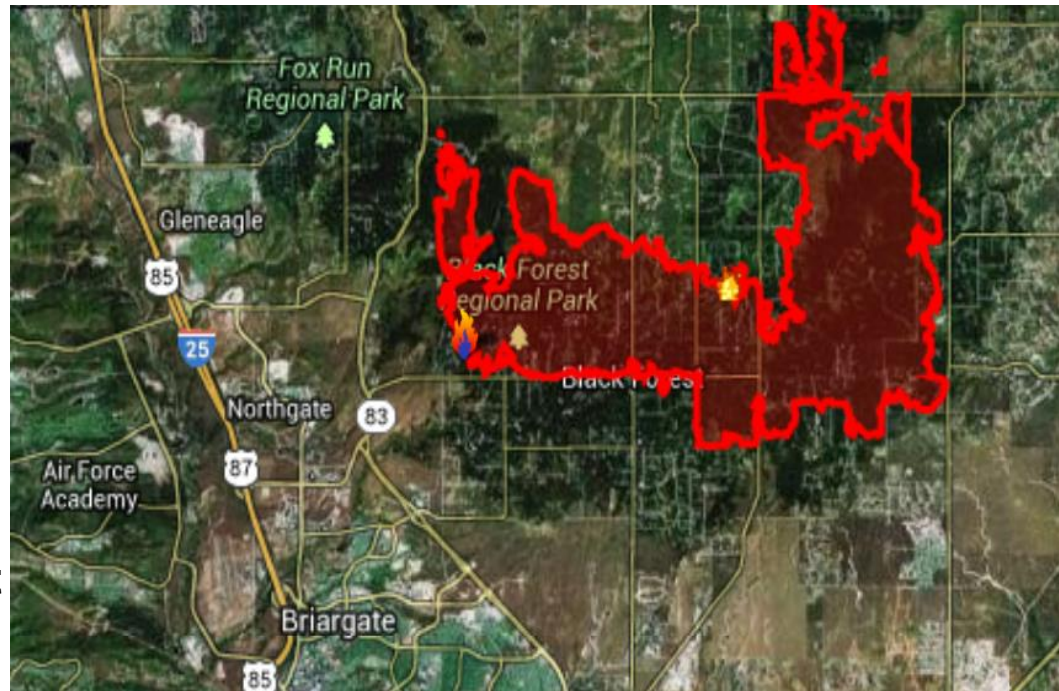




# Black Forest Fire 2013

**The first significant fire of the season was the Black Forest Fire. CONG and Fort Carson aviation assets were involved in the initial attack.**

- **Began 11 June 2013**
- **Northeast section of Colorado Springs (within the city limits)**
- **Two fatalities, 511 homes destroyed, 28 homes damaged, 14,280 acres, >9 million dollars**
- **Cause: Human, Under Investigation**
- **CONG Resources: Significant**
- **Response Authority: Executive Order D2013-010, 12 June 2013 (CONG), IRA (T10)**





## BLACK FOREST FIRE 2013

### CONG cooperated with these entities during the Black Forest Fire.

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#### ***Federal Partners***

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- National Interagency Fire Center
- DOD (NORTHCOM, AFNORTH, ARNORTH, Ft. Carson)

#### ***State and Local Partners***

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- City of Colorado Springs
- El Paso County
- Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control
- Colorado Office of Emergency Management
- NGOs (Red Cross and local non-profits)

I-25 and Hwy 119

I-25

Hwy 119

104°ESE mag





# Centennial Raging Waters 2013

At the peak, more than 750 personnel, 20 helicopters, and 200 military vehicles supported flood response operations.

## TF Aviation:

- Rescued/Evacuated 2,526 Civilians and 1,047 pets
- Live Hoists: 83
- Total Hours Flown: 434
- 21 Aircraft (LUH-72, UH-60, CH-47)
  - 9 x COARNG
  - 5 x WYARNG
  - 7 x T10, Fort Carson, CO (2-4 GSAB)

## TF Ground Search and Rescue

- Rescued/Evacuated 707 Civilians and an estimated 300 pets
- 23 x Mobility Teams (6 PAX, 3 LMTV per team)
- 15 PAX, Search and Extraction Team
- Transported over 20,000 FEMA provided meals and issued over 5,000 meals

JTF Security: 73 Traffic Control Points, Armed/Unarmed (4 PAX/2 VEH EA, 24/7 operations)

JTF CBRN: 8th CST

## JTF-JRSOI

## OTHER:

- 5 x Fuel Tenders
- 2 x Fire Trucks, 1 x Water Tender and 6 Firefighters
- 1 x Sandbagging Unit with 7 PAX (COANG)
- Bridge Inspection Team with 9 PAX (COANG)

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- Reconstruction of Highway 36



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# DSC Lessons Learned

- C<sup>2</sup> Above and Below DSC
  - Waldo Canyon Fire
  - Black Forest Fire
  - Colorado Floods

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# Discussion Points

- Dual Status Command
- Immediate Response to Dual-Status Command
- Partnerships
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC)
- Defense Coordination Officer (DCO/DCE)
- United State Army Reserve Authorizations

# *Questions*

